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AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIDFICATION

Please replace page 2 of the specification with the following paragraphs that have been amended to update the status of cross-referenced applications.

RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present invention is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/990,374, filed December 15, 1997 (Attorney Docket No. E-3), now U.S. Patent No. 6,109,268, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/485,219, filed on June 7, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,697,281 (Attorney Docket 16238-000600), the complete disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

The present invention is related to commonly assigned co-pending Provisional Patent Application No. 60/075,059, filed on February 18, 1998 (Attorney Docket No. CB-2P), now abandoned; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/010,382, filed January 21, 1998 (Attorney Docket A-6), now U.S. Patent No. 6,190,381; and U.S. Patent Application entitled "Systems and Methods for Selective Electrosurgical Treatment of Body Structures", filed February 27, 1998 (Attorney Docket No. CB-3), U.S. Patent Application Nos. 08/977,845, filed on November 25, 1997 (Attorney Docket No. D-2), now U.S. Patent No. 6,210,402; U.S. Patent Application No. 08/942,580, filed on October 2, 1997 (Attorney Docket No. 16238-001300), now U.S. Patent No. 6,159,194; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/026,851, filed February 20, 1998 (Attorney Docket No. S-2), now U.S Patent No 6,277,112; U.S. Patent Application No. 08/753,227, filed on November 22, 1996 (Docket 16238-002200), now U.S. Patent No. 5,873,855; U.S. Patent Application No. 08/687,792, filed on July 18, 1996 (Docket No. 16238-001600), now U.S. Patent No. 5,843,019; and PCT International Application, U.S. National Phase Serial No. PCT/US94/05168, filed on May 10, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,697,909 (Attorney Docket 16238-000440), which was a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/059,681, filed on May 10, 1993 (Attorney Docket 16238-000420), now abandoned; which was a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 07/958,977, filed on October 9, 1992 (Attorney Docket 16238-000410), now U.S. Patent No. 5,366,443; which was a continuation-in-

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part of U.S. Patent Application No. 07/817,575, filed on January 7, 1992 (Attorney Docket 16238-00040), now abandoned, the complete disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes. The present invention is also related to commonly assigned U.S. Patent No. 5,683,366, filed November 22, 1995 (Attorney Docket 16238-000700), the complete disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.